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SIERRA LEONE

FOOD FOR PEACE FACT SHEET

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Food Security Situation*

- The United Nations Development Program's 2009 Human Development Index ranks Sierra Leone 180 out of 182 countries evaluated. The 1991-2002 civil war decimated much of the country's capacity to deliver services to its citizens and guarantee their food security.
- More than two thirds of the population of about six million lives below the poverty line, particularly in the Eastern and Northern regions. High poverty rates, regular natural disasters, deforestation, low education levels and insufficient sanitation continue to threaten Sierra Leone's food security.
- Unemployment, especially among the youth, low labor productivity, lack of irrigation, over-harvesting and inadequate access to food markets as a result of poor road infrastructure continue to be risks to food security.



Total Food for Peace Contributions

Fiscal Year 2010	\$12.0 million	13,180 MT
Fiscal Year 2009	\$ 7.8 million	9,460 MT
Fiscal Year 2008	\$ 6.9 million	3,450 MT
Fiscal Year 2007	\$ 9.7 million	14,290 MT
Fiscal Year 2006	\$12.5 million	19,870 MT

Food for Peace Contribution Breakdown

Partners	FY10 (to date)		FY09	
	Development		Development	
	USD in millions	metric tons	USD in millions	metric tons
Awardee	\$12.0	13,180	\$7.8	9,460

Food for Peace Program Details

Awardee: ACDI/VOCA

Targeted Beneficiaries: 405,049 food-insecure Sierra Leoneans

Current Projects: Sustainable Nutrition and Agriculture Promotion (SNAP) Program: reduces food insecurity among vulnerable rural populations by reducing chronic malnutrition among children under 5 and enhancing livelihood opportunities. In addition, it increases resiliency to shocks, productive youth, gender equity, environmental stewardship and good governance.

Project Locations: Bombali; Kailahun; Koinadugu; Tonkolili

* FY: fiscal year; MT: metric tons; USD: United States Dollar

* Food Security Situation information is provided by World Food Program as of July 13, 2010